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CORNER STONE OF CITY HALL IS LAID MONDAY AT 4:30 P.M.

CITIZENS GATHER AS BOX CONTAINING RECORDS AND PAPERS IS PLACED AS PART OF THE FIRST CITY HALL THIS CITY EVER OWNED

Marks an Epoch in Civic Progress and Presages a Better and Bigger Tropico

Making up in significance for what it lacked in formality, the corner-stone of the new City Hall of Tropico, now under construction at Tropico avenue and Brand boulevard, was laid Monday afternoon at 4:30 in the presence of a number of prominent citizens. The box containing, among other things, papers, a $50 gold piece and a copper cent, was placed by C. C. Rittenhouse, the city architect.

The mere action of placing this corner-stone may not in itself be of great moment, but in reality it marks one of the longest steps toward civic independence and progress. Upon the foundation thus laid there may rise a city of greater probity if not of greater magnitude and mayhap combining both the virtue of size and quality. Tropico, with her new buildings, her metropolitan fire protection and law enforcement, finely paved streets and new school buildings, is a great improvement over the Tropico of five years ago.

In the box which was placed in this corner-stone was a resume of the city's business since March 15, 1911, when Tropico was incorporated with a population of 1200, the names of the first trustees and officers. There was also the annual report of the clerk ending June 30, 1914, a history and description of Tropico with views, including a panorama taken in 1905 and another in 1911. There was a topographic map of the city and illustrations showing the grammar school, the business section on San Fernando boulevard, the bank of Tropico and other points of interest. There was also a copy of a recent issue of the Tropico Sentinel, a memorandum of the contract with E. D. Yard for erecting the City Hall at a cost of $7976, telling of the fund of $25,000 which was created for this purpose March 20, 1913, and for the purpose of fire protection. It also contained a bank statement of the local bank and a copy of the organization papers, a history of the Thursday Afternoon Club, including a copy of the club's annual announcement and histories of the N. C. Banks, posts and corps of the G. A. R., W. R. C. and Sons of Veterans.

Those business men who placed their cards in the box were E. D. Yard, C. C. Rittenhouse, H. E. Betz, Taylor Brothers, John Hobbs, George C. Melrose, Charles Henry and Richard Sternberg.

TROPICO TO PLAY RATHSKELLERS NEXT SUNDAY

Tropico will begin Sunday on a series of independent ball games before entering another league and the Rathskellers of Los Angeles will be the victims. Manager Hapgood said today that he had not yet made arrangements for entering a bigger league but declared that the showing made against the Tigers in a recent game was so encouraging that he expected to get in with pretty good company for next season at least.

Oliver was not pitching in form in the Tiger's game, else the outcome might have been different.

The Rathskellers are playing fast baseball and a lively contest is predicted. The line-up of the Tripico nine will be about the same as in former games.

MRS. J. S. ROBERTSON DIES

Mrs. J. S. Robertson died at the Thornycroft farm Friday morning at 2 o'clock, following childbirth. Mrs. Robertson resided at Bellflower, but was at the home of her parents at [illegible] Parkdale avenue, when she was taken seriously ill. The mother was apparently well for about a week, but at the end of that time a relapse occurred which resulted in the death.

The baby was born on July 24th and is doing well. It is being kept at the home of its grandparents.

Club Plans Bungalow Club House

THURSDAY AFTERNOON CLUB ACCEPTS SKETCHES AND CONTRACT IS LET TO ARCHITECT LEIGH BANCROFT FOR MAKING PLANS

A meeting of the Thursday Afternoon club was held August 13th at the home of Mrs. F. B. McKenney on Eulalia avenue. The sketches of the proposed club house were submitted and accepted and the plans are to be drawn from them. Leigh Bancroft is the architect and has planned a beautiful little club house. It is to be built in the bungalow style, with a large main auditorium, with a very fine floor, two dressing rooms and a stage 28x10 feet. A kitchen will be built in the back in connection with the building, but apart from it so that if at any time they want to enlarge, it may be done with little difficulty. The club house is to be 74x36 feet and will be built on the corner of Cypress and what will be a continuation of Walnut avenue when it is cut through. As soon as possible operation will be started.

Plans for a club house have been discussed for many months by the club, but this is the first definite plans that have been given out. Considerable money has been raised for the construction and there will be no hitch in the proceedings.

It is planned to make the Thursday Afternoon Club house one of the principal social centers of Tropico, about which will revolve not only the social but civic life of the community.

JUDGE MELROSE HONORED

As evidence of the reputation of Judge George C. Melrose is a letter written by S. Henderwood of 'Long Beach, Calif. who writes to the local justice asking that he sit for him during Henderwood's vacation, Henderwood says:

"If you care to come and occupy my bench I shall be more than glad to have you. The work done here is not particularly heavy, but presume it would require most of your time, for between the civil and criminal work I find my time well occupied."

Boy Knocked From Wheel By Car

FIFTEEN-YEAR-OLD BOY IN TROPICO HOSPITAL WITH BRUISES SUSTAINED BY AUTO ACCIDENT

Russell Harrison, 15 years old, of 511 W. Tenth street was run down by an auto truck last Friday morning while riding on East Sixth street, near Gladys avenue, in Los Angeles, and is now in the Tropico hospital recovering from a deep cut in his thigh and bad bruises on face and limbs.

Young Harrison, who is the son of H. F. Harrison, was riding on his bicycle when he was struck by the truck and knocked under the wheels. He was rescued before the heavy rear wheels could pass over his body, but it was found that he was severely injured by the fall, probably internally. He was taken to the receiving hospital in Los Angeles and was removed later to the Tropico hospital on San Fernando road.

Young Harrison was in his second year in the Union high school and was working as delivery boy for a Los Angeles concern when the accident occurred.

Reports from the hospital are to the effect that the boy is recovering rapidly.

K. OF P. TO HOLD STAG NIGHT AND FRIENDS ARE INVITED

Next Monday night will be "stag" night with the Knights of Pythias, who will hold an open meeting for members and their gentlemen friends. An entertainment will be given and refreshments will be served.

The meeting last Monday night was well attended and the rank of knight was conferred on Esquire T. J. Ake. The usual good time was had.

Great plans are being made for the next meeting. W. G. Cressey, T. J. Hammond and George Tauxe have been named as a committee to have charge of the festivities.

JUDGE MELROSE UNITES HUSBAND AND WIFE

MAN TAKES PLEDGE TO ABSTAIN FROM LIQUOR AND WIFE AND FAMILY RETURN TO HIM

A happy reunited family, with a forgiving wife and repentant husband, instead of a jail sentence and misery for all concerned, was brought out of the case of L. W. Shields of Burbank by Judge George C. Melrose when the court secured a pledge from the man that he would cease drinking intoxicants and would provide for his family in the future.

From the testimony brought before the court it became evident that Shields was intoxicated the greater part of the time, that he treated his family cruelly, used foul language in speaking to them and did not provide them with necessities. The judge refrained from giving the man a jail sentence immediately, but told him that if he could get some 12 or 15 of his neighbors to sign a petition asking for leniency, he would recognize it. Otherwise he would pronounce a severe penalty. The man secured the signatures and the judge then brought up the case for further consideration.

The woman testified that she had left her husband because of his actions, but said that when he was sober he treated her and the children kindly. Through the offices of Judge Melrose the husband and wife were united and Shields gave a pledge not to become intoxicated again.

Lucky "Thirteen" Enjoy Picnic

MUCH FUN ENJOYED BY "LUCKY 13," ALTHOUGH THEY HAVE DIFFICULTY IN FINDING WATER

Who said "13" was an unlucky number Well, whoever it was would have thought different if they could have been with a certain merry "13" bunch on a picnic Sunday.

Shortly after 11 o'clock the "13" party left the city's grind behind and betook themselves to Sycamore Canyon, via street car and automobile. While the trip going was very pleasant, yet we will not dwell upon it, but hasten to the canyon. There was no hitch in the program until they arrived there, when, upon investigation, it was found that the babbling brook (of which Dwight Stephenson drew very vivid imaginations of the pure colorless sheet of mountain water, of how it sparkled out among the lilies, clattered over stony ways and dashed over green mossy beds, etc.), was locked up. Just the mention of that word "water" made all thirsty—and water they must have, for who could stay up in the mountains all day long without water? After all suggestions were duly considered, it was decided to send the young man with such a vivid imagination back in the auto and get some water, which he did, and after all had partaken thereof their spirits revived, as was very evident by the amount of eatables consumed by those "13." The cloth was spread under the spreading branches and oh, the eats that were placed on that cloth to be afterwards conveyed to the palate, were simply scrumptuous—fit for a kaiser! After everybody had ate to their stomach's content—no, not every one—all except John Seamen, who said if he ate any more he would surely suffer from dyspepsia—they proceeded to have one grand afternoon, and, as every one will testify, this was done. Almost every kind of a game was thought of—both those for the mind and the body—and most of them were played in the shaded woods of Sycamore canyon.

Late in the afternoon some climbed up the mountains to hunt for dungeons and buried treasures, while others walked down the shaded canyon to listen to humming birds and honey bees.

Sycamore Canyon is a fine place for a picnic, and it abounds in scenery o fthe finest kind—in sublimity and desolate and wild grandeur.

We said there were "13," didn't we? Yes, and here they are—count them for yourself: Mr. and Mrs. John Seamens, who chaperoned the party; little Joe Seamens, Hal McNutt, Dwight Stephenson, Joe Wilson, Eloise Seamen, Bertha Sayre, Viola Sayre, Genette Seamen, Margaret Hancock, Mr. H. C. Seamen and Bob Oliver.

These Want You To Know

In anticipation of the primary election, the below named candidates for office have seen fit to advise the voters of Tropico concerning their attitudes toward governmental, administrative and judicial matters through the Tropico Sentinel. These are the only ones who have considered it necessary to supply such information to voters of this city and logically they should be given first thought in selecting men for these positions of public trust.

Every voter should use his or her own judgment in marking ballots and conferring the favor of his or her suffrage, but it seems to us that those who have held the opinions of voters in this city as of account, should be given first thought.

These men have spent money and time in an endeavor to tell the people of Tropico on what platform they are basing their claims to favorable attention.

For Governor:
Frank V. Keesling

Superior Court Judge:
Frederick Baker
John L. Fleming
Elmer R. Mc Dowell
Faank W. Blair
Louis Myers
D. Joseph Coyne

Presiding Justice
Gavin W. Craig
N. P. Conrey

District Attorney
Thomas Lee Woolwine
W. J. Ford
Vincent Morgan

Burbank Justice of Peace
Judge Geo. C. Melrose
Walter Whitworth
Harry M. Miller
Frank J. Showalter

Congress, 9th Dist.
Frank C. Roberts

Sheriff, L.A. Co
W. A. Hammel
W. H. Joyce

County Assessor
E. W. Hopkins

One of the recognized numbers on the program at the encampment of the Southern California Veterans' association at Huntington Beach, last week, was that of Jos. Griffin is monologues and songs. Mr. Griffin is a recognized artist and a won many plandits. Commander of the N. P. Banks' camp, Sons of Veterans is another one of his accomplishments and he is a good one too.

TWO DOLLARS A MINUTE FOR YOUR TIME

The board of managers of the carnival committee wants the readers of this paper to put on their thinking caps and write a slogan for Tropico. To be used on all advertising during the preparations of the big carnival, and to become universal afterwards. Every person in Tropico is entitled to hand in as many slogans as they desire. The only requirement is that the word "Tropico" shall appear some where in the slogan. Write the slogan and turn it in to the Sentinel office any time up to Saturday, August 29th with your name and address on each one. The board of managers will then select one, and the winner will be presented with a prize of two dollars.

Get busy now and earn the two dollars. It will only take you a minute.

GO GUNNING FOR DEER IN MOUNTAINS

AMERICAN LOSS SMALL WHEN OUTPOSTS INVADE DOMICILE OF THE CALIFORNIA WILD DEER

Amed with more or less dangerous-looking guns, the outposts of Tropico's army of hunters engaged the California wild deer Saturday in the first contest of the season. Neither side suffered great loss. Few deer and no hunters were killed.

Tropico sportsmen have been showing a degree of blood lust for the last two or three weeks, but not until Saturday did they knowingly and wilfully arm themselves with weapons terrible to behold and protect themselves with a scrap of paper which cost $1, when they felt fortified to proceed. According to meager reports none of the deer made any kind of a showing against the invaders. The cowardly animals deserted their trenches long before the gunmen approached, and when these arrived they found only the tracks of the fleeing forecs.

The simple facts of the case are that on Saturday the deer season opened and a bunch of fellows around the city dug up the forlorn hope that they may be able to face a life-sized buck without getting ague. They accordingly secured rifles, shells, a certain amount of grub and an abnormal amount of advice from those who had been there, and thus equipped, set forth to fill the family larder with venison.

The hunters went out in bodies so as to be safe in case of attack, as it is said to be extremely uncomfortable to have a big deer come charging down on the camp, gnashing its teeth and picking out the fattest hunter for an evening meal. As all parties leaving here are well armed it is thought that a good proportion of them will return to their happy homes alive, unless they use one another for a target. A bullet from a 30-30 rifle would make a man feel uncomfortable in the extreme. The only difficulty in that regard, however, is in keeping out of contact with such a bullet when it is riled up or in action. In the opinion of most hunters it is the height of folly to try to remonstrate with such a bullet after it has left the barrel of the rifle and before it has stopped.

A party consisting of C. S. Hunter, Lake Ross, Bob Danner, Wayne Frank, Clyde Thedacker and J. H. Crane left Saturday for Tuna canyon and Dave Lovell, Roy Gilmore and Sam Rhodes went to Castake. Other parties moved out with greater or less secrecy and it is probable that they will try to surprise the enemy with a flank attack.

Not enough reliable hunters have yet returned to make possible a verdict as to whether hunting is good or bad.

Parties are going to Tejunga, Pocoma, Solidad and Boquet and many Tropicans are among these.

Next Sunday the following expect to charter a boat for a trip to Catalina: Oliver Spear, Homer Spear, P. Spear, Pat Devine, Henry Fels, Frank West, Pete Larsen, Charley Carner and H. B. Van Meter.

WAS BROTHER OF JOSEPH BANKER, BUILDING INSPECTOR OF GLENDALE

Harry Banker, formerly a building contractor of Tropico, is dead in Houston, Texas, according to intelligence which reached here this week. It is not known whether the body will be brought here for interment in the cemetery where lies his parents.

Harry Banker was a brother of Joseph Banker, building inspector of Glendale. His first wife was Mary Ayres, daughter of Samuel Ayres, of this city. Banker plied his trade in this city for a number of years. Among the buildings for which he is responsible is the Twin Pines residence, which formerly belonged to City Clerk N. C. Burch and is now the home of Dr. Bahrenburg.

Miss Mary Evan Hough, who has been spending a week at Pasadena, returned home Aug. 14th.

Mr. Dan Campbell of the First National Bank of Tropico left Saturday morning in his touring car for Coronado, where he will join Mrs. Campbell and the children. Mr. and Mrs. David Black and Miss Esther Black accompanied him.

Ask For Your Meter Rentals Back

WRITE TO WATER COMPANY AND ASK FOR REFUND OF RENTALS—IF THIS IS REFUSED COMMUNICATE WITH THE CITY

Following a decision of the State Supreme Court, the local water company has agreed to refund all meter rentals and those who have paid in this money in violation of the city ordinance regulating such payment, may secure the return of the same by addressing or calling on the water company.

This was the jist of a statement made by the city attorney at the last meeting of the board of trustees.

If, on showing the receipt for the said $15 meter rentals, the water company refuses to return the money you can take the matter up with the city attorney.

For a long time this matter of water rentals has been under controversy. Consumers considered it exorbitant that they should be required to pay this sum for meter installation and rental and the city trustees passed an ordinance prohibiting such a charge. The water company refused to comply with the ordinance and threatened to carry the matter to the supreme court if they were molested for the violation.

In the meantime Glendale had carried the same matter to the State Supreme Court and on the favorable decision of this case, Tropico at once decided to assert its rights. The result was evidenced in the report of the city attorney at the last meeting when it would appear that the water concern had agreed to act favorably to the consumers.

Autos Slow Down Through City

TWO VIOLATORS OF TRAFFIC ORDERS FINED IN JUSTICE COURT THIS MORNING

Fewer speed cases in the Justice court of Judge Melrose last Monray morning testified to the fact that motorists have at last come to realize that they may not wholly disregard traffic regulations when passing through Tropico.

For many weeks now the City Marshal has had from six to eight cases against speeders up before the justice every Monday morning and these have usually been fined. Last Monday but two were fined and four were discharged. Those fined were W. M. Smith of Pasadena and C. J. Eaton, both of whom were given $3.

Judge Melrose today reiterated on the stand he has taken in such cases:

"Where a man is in his first offense and where the violation is not too great I do not believe in a fine, providing the person in question acts the part of a gentleman with the arresting officer and with the court. There are two things which this court will not tolerate, and that is the resisting an officer in the legitimate performance of his duty and contempt of court. If a violation is recalcitrant he will be fined if found guilty irrespective of the fact that it is his first commission.

"But when a violator is brought before me the second time charged with the same offense, I cannot show such leniency."

Judge Melrose has been highly commended for his attitude both by cautious motorists and by pedestrians.

Jack Hammond joined Mrs. Hammond at Huntington Beach last Sunday.

VOTERS, ATTENTION

To the voters of Burbank township:

As Justice of the Peace of Burbank township, I am a candidate for re-election to that office.

I have been your Justice for nine years. Through all this time I have striven to earn my reputation as judge and not as a politician. Reputable attorneys who have had business in my court, "of which there are many," are the men of whom you should inquire to my fitness in administering justice. After having satisfied yourself that I deserve to be continued in my judicial life, I would be greatly pleased to have your active support at the primary election.

Sincerely yours,
GEORGE C. MELROSE.

DESPITE IMPROVEMENTS CITY TAXES WILL REMAIN THE SAME

TOTAL TAX LEVY WILL AMOUNT TO $12,980.75 AND RATE WILL BE SAME AS LAST YEAR

Meter Rentals Will Be Refunded as Result of Supreme Court Decision

Taxes—city taxes will be the same this year—as was determined at the trustees' meeting Thursday night. The rate is .0125 on every dollar of an assessed valuation of $1,038,460. The total amount raised by this levy will be $12,980.75.

Smooth running marks the financial side of the city government, and this it is that made it possible to hold to the old rate, which applied the last year.

Of the total levy, $10,384.60 will be required for general expenses; $1,157.69 for interest and $1,038.46 for the library fund.

C. C. Rittenhouse submitted his statement of the amount of his commission as architect of the City Hall of 5 per cent of the contract price of construction, $389, and asked that he now be allowed and paid the sum of $200 thereof. Allowed and warrant ordered.

Application of Hosea Steelman to keep five horses on premises in Tropico Boulevard Tract, read and referred to city health officer for investigation and report.

To insure City Hall and fire engine house of Tropico against loss or damage by fire for a premium of 45 cents on the $100 read and ordered filed.

City Hall architect announced the readiness of the builder to set the corner stone of that structure and on motion, the city clerk is directed to collect and prepare suitable matter posited in the corner stone box in the presence of the board of trustees and public generally on Monday, August 17, 1914, and at 10 a. m. of that date.

City Recorder Melrose addressed the board with reference to defiantly reckless violations of the city "speed ordinance," apparently so common of late. The limit of only a few dollars as the penalty of taking one's own life as well as the lives of others into one's own hands operated as a very slight deterrent.

And thereupon the city attorney submitted a speed ordinance providing:

Section 12. That any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punishable by a fine of not less than $3 nor more than $300, or by imprisonment in the county jail in the county of Los Angeles for a period of not more than 90 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Said ordinance was then read and, on motion, declared read for the first time and laid over for a second reading at the next regular meeting of the board.

C. A. Bancroft called attention to the location of the culvert at the intersection of Brand boulevard and San Fernando boulevard off of the 30-foot roadway and about six feet on the frontage of lot D of the Richardsn tract and private property.

City Engineer Ashton stated that the mistake, and it was quite apparent that there is one, had been made by following the lines of the map prepared and turned over to him by his predecessor in office, former City Engineer Ed M. Lynch of Glendale, but that it was too late now to remedy it. The work was to far along to be torn out now. It would have to go on now and Mr. Richardson, the owner of the lot, infringed upon settled by the city on terms that without doubt would be found to be reasonable and just.

Mr. Bancroft wanted it understood that the further prosecution of the work on the erroneous location was not acquiesced in, whereupon it was ordered that the record so appear.

City Engineer Ashton reported progress with his negotiations for the improvement of the southerly end of Glendale avenue with the Salt Lake management by private contract.

City Attorney Goodwin reported sufficiency of accident insurance policy of contractor for the construction

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NOTICE

Every citizen of Tropico is invited to use the columns of this paper, and you are urged to do so. All articles must be in this office not later than Tuesday and must bear signature of writer.

MORE DRASTIC SPEED LAWS

On Monday, August 9th, E. L. Miller, driving a car down Glendale avenue, collided with another automobile containing four persons. At least four were seriously injured, a little nine-year-old girl being maimed for life.

Whether or not Mr. Miller or George A. Marek, driver of the other car, is to blame is not for us to say. This matter will very properly be threshed out in the Justice Court of Judge George C. Melrose before a jury, for Miller has already been charged with a violation of the speed laws of the city and a warrant has been served on him.

If Mr. Miller or Mr. Marek, either one, are guilty of speeding, upon the person who violated the law must rest the blame for the disastrous occurrence. The maximum penalty which this blame shall incur is provided by ordinance as $100 and 30 days.

At the last meeting of the city board of trustees Judge George C. Melrose appeared and asked that this maximum be increased to $300 and 90 days, on the grounds that for such violations $100 and 30 days is not a sufficient penalty. He pointed out that violations of these speed laws are constantly occurring and that the Miller-Marek accident is but a sample of what might happen any day on San Fernando road or Tropico avenue. Machines and motorcycles dash through here going 30 and 40 miles an hour.

Judge Melrose further suggested that the city appoint a motorcycle cop whose duty it would be to arrest speeders. The fines taken in by this officer would pay for his own salary, with a considerable balance and it would greatly lessen the chance of accident. The trustees acted on the matter favorably.

In explaining his attitude Judge Melrose said:

"I have no desire to limit vehicles to 15 miles an hour, for I realize that this low limit is made to make conviction easier and not because it is meant to apply. What I insist on doing, however, is to stop this indiscriminate racing through Tropico at from 30 to 40 miles an hour. Cars traveling on San Fernando boulevard through the business section of the city should go slower than those on the outlying streets where traffic is negligible.

"At the present time we have no means for adequate enforcing of the speed laws. The city marshal does not ride a motorcycle and he is occupied with his other duties to such an extent that it would be impossible for him to do this work. Yet we must make these fellows obey the law and that is the reason I suggested a speed officer. As I said before, he could more than make his salary from fines in cases of flagrant violations."

Judge Melrose has taken the right stand. Tropico cannot have speeding cars colliding on her streets, killing men, women and children.

THOU SHALT NOT KILL

We have no reason to believe that the mandate, "Thou shat not kill," excepted huntsmen. In fact it is quite sane to suppose that huntsmen were included in this command as well as shoemakers, blacksmiths and other tradesmen.

Many men with higher powered rifles and higher powered hopes of bringing home big game, are now swarming around in the California hills and mountains and, while we do not mean to intimate that any of these are myopic, we would like to advise them not to kill any human beings just the same.

There is altogether too much carelessness among hunters. You note this in their attitude and in the way they handle a gun while in the store. Some of them very carelessly point a gun in the direction of anyone, giving the excuse that it is not loaded. The gun may not be loaded, but such actions thoroughly mark the man as careless and incapable of properly handling firearms.

One human life is worth more than all the game in all the mountains of California, and if it comes to the sacrifice of one or the other, the pleasure of hunting should be given up. However, there is fair reason to suppose that men can go on hunting and living at the same time. If every hunter will make sure of his mark before he shoots instead of firing at the movement of bushes and if proper clothes are worn, there need be no deaths.

E. W. HOPKINS FOR ASSESSOR

It is not the policy of the Sentinel to support candidates indiscriminately, nor are we departing from this policy when we advocate the candidacy of E. W. Hopkins for county assessor. The Sentinel is thoroughly in favor of Mr. Hopkins, believes that his work has been conscientious, thorough and honest, and we do not believe that a better man could be secured for the position.

Mr. Hopkins is a non-partisan candidate, and his name appears on all ballots. The following, taken from an editorial in the Los Angeles Express, sufficiently voices our sentiments in the matter:

"As county assessor, E. W. Hopkins has demonstrated unusual ability and absolute fairness. No classes or individuals have successfully sought special favors or exemptions at his hands. There has been even consideration for all. His assessments, admittedly, have been just, sound and impartial. They have stood the test of all reviews. He has mastered the intricacies and problems of a difficult and complex system and organized his forces with extreme skill, combining efficiency and economy."

THE DRINKING FOUNTAIN

It may seem to some that a drinking fountain is a thing of such trivial consequence that it is not worth serious consideration. This it not true. While a drinking fountain is not a cure-all for our community ills, nor is it claimed to be, yet it is an essential part of a city's public equipment.

The thirsty wayfarer carries in his heart a warm spot for the city that gives him cold, clear water when he wants cold, clear water worse than anything else, and it would be a humane thing in the case of horses which are driven through here from Los Angeles and other points without an opportunity to refresh themselves.

We quite agree with Charles H. Cushing, who sends us a communication proposing that something be done to assist the women of Tropico to secure this fountain.

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MIDDAY DINNER

Mrs. Wm. Harvey, Jr., entertained Wednesday with a midday dinner in honor of her brother, Mr. J. E. Hancock of Chicago, and his wife and daughter, who are spending several months in California.

Throughout the house beautiful pink China asters were artistically arranged. In the center of the table, at which 12 guests were seated, a huge center piece of choice asters was placed. Dainty place cards in the same color, marked the places for the following: Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kirkly, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Hancock of Los Angeles; Mesdames A. H. Fellows, R. E. Howard, W. S. Hancock of Chicago, V. J. Merrill, H. J. Seaman, J. S. Seaman, the honored guests and hostess.

The afternoon was spent in playing cards, Mrs. J. J. Hancock capturing the prize, a handsome cut glass nappy.

BROOKLYN TABERNACLE BIBLE-STUDY-ON

THE WEDDING FEAST.

Matthew 22:1-14—Aug. 23.

"O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, which killest the Prophets, and stonest them that are sent unto thee; how often would I have gathered thy children together, as a hen gathereth her brood under her wings, and ye would not!" —Luke 13:34).

HERE we have another parable of the Kingdom. Today's lesson shows that God's promises and providences toward Israel under the Law Covenant were to prepare that nation to be God's holy nation and especially to provide at Christ's coming a sufficient number to constitute the elect Church, Messiah's joint-heirs in the Kingdom—His Bride. The parable shows that only a few were "Israelites indeed," in whom was no guile—not enough to constitute the Kingdom class. Hence the call of this Gospel Age, selecting from the Gentiles sufficient of saintly character to be joint-heirs with the Jewish remnant in the Messianic Kingdom.

The Marriage of the Lamb.

Jehovah Himself is the King who made a marriage for His Son—arranging before the foundation of the world that there should be joint-heirs with Christ in His Kingdom. This marriage, of course, could not take place until the King's Son had come into the world and, by His obedience unto death, had made the way for His followers and for His Kingdom. At the appropriate time God sent His servants to call them that were bidden to the wedding. But they would not come. John the Baptist and his disciples did this work of calling to the attention of Israel the fact that the King's Son was in their midst.—John 1:26; 3:29.

Gentiles Called.

Again, other servants were sent forth. Jesus sent His disciples to the Jews, saying to them that were bidden, "All things are ready. Come to the marriage." But the people, under the guidance of the scribes and the Pharisees, the theologians of that day, made light of the Message and went—one to his farm and another to his merchandise—saying, We do not believe this Kingdom Message. Some did even worse than this. They treated these servants shamefully and slew them.

Then, as seen in another parable, Jehovah was wroth with Israel. He sent forth armies and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. The fact that it was the Roman army under Titus which destroyed Jerusalem, A. D. 70, did not make it any less Jehovah's army; for He is able to make the wrath of man praise Him and able to use whom He may please as His messengers for good or evil.

Gentiles Called to the Wedding.

Meantime God said to His servants, the Apostles, and others through them, The wedding is provided for; but the Jewish nation, which was especially invited, has not proved worthy of the honor. Go ye, therefore, into the highways; and as many as ye shall find, bring to the marriage feast.

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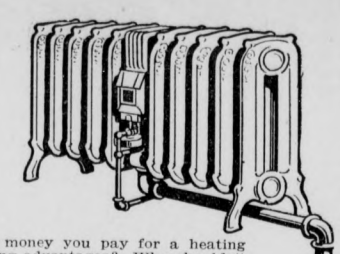

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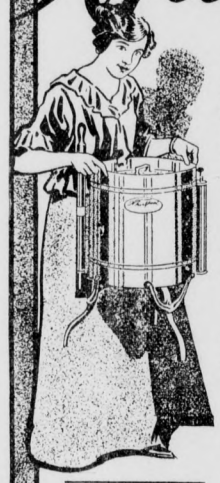

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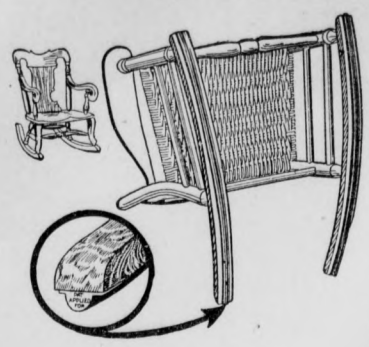

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CARNIVAL NOTES

Under this head the readers of the Sentinel will, each week, find a full account of the progress made in the preparations of the big carnival.

At a meeting of the board of managers held Tuesday evening, the final completion of the board was consummated and these heads assigned chairmanships of the various committees, with instructions to appoint their aids. The board of managers and chairmen of cemmittees are as follows:

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Lack of space will not permit us to state the advance made in this issue, but in our next issue a full statement will appear.

Mass Meeting

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Frederick Baker, the local candidate for Judge of Superior Court, is the only one among the whole 26 candidates from this portion of the county.

He incorporated the city of Tropico and acted as its city attorney until last April. While city attorney he was vigilant in protecting the interests of the city and successfully conducted all the proceedings for the various street improvements, including the opening and widening of Brand boulevard. He also obtained for the city approximately $11,000 for the oil pipe line franchise, although similar privileges were given away by other towns without compensation.

Mr. Baker has practiced law in this county for the past 26 years, and is especially well qualified for the office of Superior Court Judge. He has had a wide experience, particularly in municipal affairs, and is regarded as one of the best legal authorities in the state on the laws relating to sixth-cities and street work proceedings.

The city of Imperial recently employed him to conduct street work proceedings for it after similar proceedings had failed several times. Under his direction the work was put through successfully to the aggregate value of over $250,000.

He is nearly always on the program at the annual convention of the League of California Municipalities, having delivered the most important address of the session on the subject of a historical character to be de- of "New Ideas in framing City Charters' at its meeting last year in Venice. He is also scheduled to deliver an address at its next meeting in October at Del Monte.

In a recent complimentary mention of his candidacy, the Los Angeles Law Journal said:

"Mr. Baker is well and favorably known throughout the county and is generally regarded as a sound and reliable lawyer."

As a home candidate who understands local needs and conditions and is thoroughly qualified for the office, Mr. Baker will undoubtedly receive a large vote in Tropico.

Remember on August 25th to stamp the cross (X) after the name of Frederick Baker on the ballot as one of the 10 superior court judges to be elected.

Miss Katherine Hobbs was the leader of the Y. P. S. C. E. of the evening. The topic was a very helpful and practical one: "Our Social Life for Christ." The young people testified that being a christian need not interfere with sociability of the right kind. Come to their meetings and see if they can't be sociable and make you feel at home.

Judge Louis L. Myers and Mrs. Myers were visitors to Tropico Tuesday morning. The judge is vigorously campaigning and declares that he has reason to believe that he will be elected.

Mrs. O. P. Martin and son and Mrs. Rees and son are summering at Huntington Beach during the G .A. R. meeting there.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Spear spent Sunday at Happy Family camp at Huntington Beach.

Mr. W. L. McNutt and family moved into their new home on Central avenue, Aug. 13th. The McNutts have formerly resided on West Park avenue.

Mrs. H. G. Pettit and her young son, who are going to England soon, are at present in Los Angeles, where they will remain for three weeks.

Mrs. Scott of Casa Verdugo arrived Friday to spend two weeks with her granddaughter, Mrs. Claire Van Etten of El Bonito avenue.

Mrs. W. C. Mabry is now entertaining her sister, Miss Mary Mayne of Salt Lake City as house guest. She is planning a number of delightful affairs in honor of this charming guest.

ROUND TABLE ENTERTAINED

The members of the Round Table held a delightful meeting Tuesday, Aug. 11th, at the home of Miss Katherine Hobbs on Central avenue. Miss Hobbs had charge of the program and read a pretty little Japanese love story called, "The Love of Azalee."

Refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by her mother, Mrs. John Hobbs. The members present were the Misses Blanch Shea, Olive Moffitt, Esther and Eunice Jones, Lynn McNutt, Dorothy Hobbs and the hostess.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to the many friends who so nobly came to our assistance during the hours of our bereavement.

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City Taxes Same

(Continued from page 1)

of the public building for the city.

Also that he had obtained the promise of Paul Shoup of the Pacific Railway to "look into" the feasibility of establishing grade crossings on the streets of Tropico.

Also that since the decision of the supreme court in the Glendale case, involving the same issue, the Title Guarantee and Trust Company, as he was assured by Mr. Cook, its attorney, will refund the charges for meter installments made in violation of the city's ordinance regulating water rates, etc.

The communication of Walter A. Lewis, addressed to the city clerk, as follows:

"In accordance with the provisions of the act approved March 25, 1895, under which the county of Los Angeles is collecting taxes for your municipality, you are hereby notified that the total assessed valuation of property available for local taxation in your city, as shown by the assessment roll for the current year, is $1,038,460," was read and ordered filed.

"LUCKY 13" ENTERTAINED WITH A CAFETERIA DINNER

In a novel and most enjoyable way Miss Katherine Hobbs entertained the "Lucky 13" with a delightful dinner at her pretty home on Central avenue, Wednesday evening, Aug. 12th.

The dining-room was where the chief attractions lay, and instead of sitting down to a table and being served in the customary way, the young ladies formed in line and followed the cafeteria plan of helping themselves. Around a centerpiece of freshly cut asters and ferns, various attractive dishes were spread, which proved so delicious that many were forced to "come again."

The evening was spent in music and dancing and discussing plans for a house party which will be given the latter part of the month.

At a late hour and with many congratulations to the young hostess the guests left for "home, sweet home." Those who enjoyed Miss Hobbs' hospitality were the Misses Evelyn Kent, Gladys Anderson, Dorothy Morgan, May Church, Alice Grey Beach, Dounda Haviland, Eulalia Christian, Lois Candee, Vera McPherson and Gladys Hamilton.

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In the above words, Wm. H. Joyce, the non-partisan candidate for sheriff, pledges the people, if elected, an efficient administration of the office of sheriff of Los Angeles county.

Miss Dorothy Hobbs was delightfully surprised Wednesday afternoon by her Sunday School class in honor of her birthday. The small Misses Janette Leaman, Mary Logan, Viola Webster, Helen Hardwick, Norma Wallace and Ruby Stone came unexpectedly to her home Wednesday and presented her with a lovely comb.

Music and games made the afternoon merry and dainty refreshments, ice cream and little cakes made it cool. When the young guests departed it was with many thanks and deep appreciation from Miss Hobbs, the honored young lady.

Mrs. Paine and her three small sons, Carl, Dolphin and Louis, are spending the week at Ocean Park.

Mr. and Mrs. Burt Sharp and their two children, Claire and Herbert, have just returned from a 10 days' outing at Coronado.

The Misses Gladys Hamilton of Tropico and Miss Lois Candee of Eagle Rock were the house guests Wednesday, Aug. 13th, of Miss Katherine Hobbs of Central avenue.

FOR THE WOMEN OF TROPICO!

A mass meeting of the women of Tropico, will be held at 3 p. m., Friday, August 21, in the K. P. hall, Tropico.

At this meeting Dr. Jessie A. Russell will give the records of candidates running for county officers, at the coming primary election, August 25. This meeting is held under the auspices of the Tropico Thursday Afternoon club and is absolutely non-partisan. Candidates will not be allowed to speak.

The regular meeting of the N. P. Banks camp, Sons of Veterans, will be held at the G. A. R. hall on Tuesday, August 25. A large attendance is desired as future plans are to be discussed.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Richardson and two children, Jane and Alexander, are now enjoying a delightful auto trip to San Diego.

LAUREL CLUB ON TRIP

Last Sunday the jolly pleasure seeking Laurel club with their chauffeur and a well filled hamper motored to one of the many canyons with which Southern California abounds. Wending their winding way up the hill to a grove of large sycamore trees, they found a babbling brook bibbling with ice cold water. After slacking their thirst, they spread a bounteous repast in a vine embowered cove on the leaves under the spreading, not chestnut, but sycamore trees. The repast consisted of Zure Back crackers, bologana sausage, limburger cheese, grape juice and some other hash. After dinner they looked about for a pleasant place to recline, and being warned by a blackboard sign to "keep- off- the grass," they spread down a few copies of the Los Angeles Times, Examiner, Herald and a copy of the Tropico Gimlet and Porcereids had along, and reclined thereon. After whiling away a couple of hours in pleasant chat, joking and relating anecdotes and carving the club motto, "Nothing daunts us," on the big sycamores, they were warned by the hooting of an owl from above, that the shades of evening were approaching. They repaired to the machine for their return trip. Going down the hill the intermediate brake broke and they went down the hill ickety-brindle (fortunately no motor cop was near to beg them to stop,) and landed in a sand bank pretty nearly kasouse. Little damage being done they continued on their way, the remainder of their trip was made without incident, except that the chauffeur dropped the cork-screw—no I mean screw-driver, in the evaporator and after inspecting each ones hands found none small enough to get said screw-driver out. The mechanician of the club being a first-class artist at his trade, borrowed one of the ladies' hat pins and fished it out. All excepting one shook hands on having one of the grandest larks ever, and that exceptional one wailed because of lack of grass on which to lounge and has laid in a goodly supply of shredded wheat biscuit to carry with him, it being the best substitute of prarie hay he could get and he thinks nothing now will mare his pleasures. —Contributed.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hillman of Paloma avenue, are taking an enjoyable auto trip this week. They left Monday for San Diego and expect to visit friends at Santa Ana and Oceanside. Master Eugene Hillman is spending the week with his grandfather, Dr. A. M. Duncan and family.

Miss Bessie Brewster and Miss Dorinda Haviland are spending the week with friends at Stroins' camp, Mt. Wilson, and are having a splendid time.

CARD OF THANKS

To the many friends and to the many strangers, who rendered such timely and valuable assistance at the time of our recent misfortune, we desire to express our most profound thanks. Serious, as were and still are, the conditions resultant from this catastrophe, without the aid and comfort afforded by these self-sacrificing people, our lot would indeed have been a harder one and we trust that even in this small way they may gain some knowledge of our great appreciation and gratitude.

Mrs. George Marek and family.

ENJOY HUNTING TRIP

Mr. and Mrs. F. Silvins of Park avenue, Mr. Charles Hanawalt of Burbank, and Miss Rosella Dorschner of Glendale, motored to the Sierra Nevada mountains, last Friday for several days on a hunting trip and returned home Sunday night. Several deer were seen, but sorry to say, they had to come home without one. Mrs. F. Silvins shot several rabbits, while the men folks went deer hunting. The trip was so pleasant, they hated to come back, and all reported they had a fine time.

In the Thursday Afternoon club notes in last issue it was announced that the next dance to be given by the club at the Masonic hall, would be on the 22nd of August. This was a mistake. The dance will be held on the evening of the 29th instead. It is hoped that the mistake will be overlooked and will not inconvenience any who made preparations for that date.

A number of people were surprised Monday morning to see a Metz runabout on the lot next to Dr. A. M. Duncan's residence on San Fernando road. Everyone wondered if someone had left the doctor a present or if he had bought another car. It seems that a couple of Los Angeles people returning from Palmdale had an accident and had to leave their car shortly before midnight and make their way to the city by electric.

Word has been received of the serious illness of A. V. Dunsmore at his home in Los Angeles. Mr. Dunsmore is well known in Tropico, having been connected with the Los Angeles Times in this locality for many years.

C. C. Hapgood, Mrs. Delia Hapgood, Mrs. George Pack, Amie Miller, Alma Dutto and daughters Jessie and Dorothy were at Happy Family Camp at Huntington Beach, Sunday. Mr. Hapgood returned, but the others remained at the beach.

Mrs. A. Dorschner and daughter, Rosella, from 1570 Riverdale drive, Glendale, spent last Thursday at Long Beach.

W. W. Hamilton and family were visitors at the G. A. R. encampment at Huntington Beach.

The executive committe of the Thursday Afternoon club met Monday afternoon with Miss Myers of Presbyterian church last Sunday 307 South San Fernando road. The ladies had a pleasant but busy afternoon on the porch, even though the day was warm.

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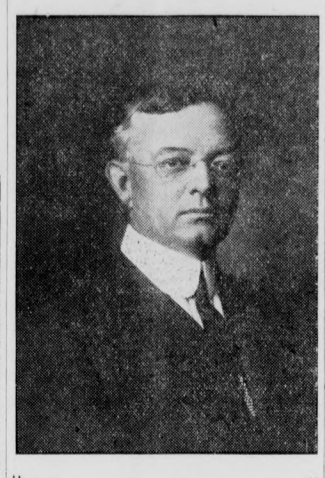

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The Case of Jennie Brice

By

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"I laughed it off, and we separated. But at 2 o'clock Bronson called me up again. I met him in his office at the theater, and he told me that Jennie Brice, who was out of the cast that week, had asked for a week's vacation. She had heard of a farm at a town called Horner, and she wanted to go there to rest.

"'Now the idea is this,' he said. 'She's living with her husband, and he has threatened her life more than once. It would be easy enough to frame up something to look as if he'd made away with her. We'd get a week of excitement, more advertising than we'd ordinarily get in a year. You get a corking news story and find Jennie Brice at the end, getting the credit for that. Jennie gets $100 and a rest, and Ladley, her husband, gets, say, $200.'

"Mr. Bronson offered to put up the money, and I agreed. The flood came just then and was considerable help. It made a good setting. I went to my city editor and got an assignment to interview Ladley about this play of his. Then Bronson and I went together to see the Ladleys on Sunday morning, and as they needed money they agreed. But Ladley insisted on $50 a week extra if he had to go to jail. We promised it, but we did not intend to let things go so far as that.

"In the Ladleys' room that Sunday morning we worked it all out. The hardest thing was to get Jennie Brice's consent, but she agreed finally. We arranged a list of clews to be left around, and Ladley was to go out in the night and to be heard coming back. I told him to quarrel with his wife that afternoon, although I don't believe they needed to be asked to do it—and I suggested also the shoe or slipper to be found floating around."

"Just a moment," said Mr. Holcombe, busy with his notebook. "Did you suggest the onyx clock?"

"No, no clock was mentioned. The—the clock has puzzled me."

"The towel?"

"Yes. I said no murder was complete without blood, but he kicked on that—said he didn't mind the rest, but he'd be hanged if he was going to slash himself. But, as it happened, he cut his wrist while cutting the boat loose, and so we had the towel."

"Pillow slip?" asked Mr. Holcombe.

"Well, no. There was nothing said about a pillowslip. Didn't he say he burned it accidentally?"

"So he claimed." Mr. Holcombe made another entry in his book.

"Then I said every murder had a weapon. He was to have a pistol at first, but none of us owned one. Mrs. Ladley undertook to get a knife from Mrs. Pitman's kitchen and to leave it around, not in full view, but where it could be found."

"A broken knife?"

"No; just a knife."

"He was to throw the knife into the water?"

"That was not arranged. I only gave him a general outline. He was to add any interesting details that might occur to him. The idea, of course, was to give the police plenty to work on and just when they thought they had it all and when the theater had had a lot of booming and I had got a good story, to produce Jennie Brice safe and well. We were not to appear in it at all. It would have worked perfectly, but we forgot to count on one thing—Jennie Brice hated her husband."

"Not really hated him!" cried Lida.

"Hated him! She is letting him—She could save him by coming forward now, and she won't do it. She is hiding so he will go to the gallows."

There was a pause at that. It seemed too incredible, too inhuman.

"Then early that Monday morning you smuggled Jennie Brice out of the city?"

"Yes; that was the only thing we bungled. We fixed the hour a little too late, and I was seen by Miss Harvey's uncle walking across the bridge with a woman."

"Why did you meet her openly and take her to the train?"

Mr. Howell bent forward and smiled across at the little man. "One of your own axioms, sir," he said. "Do the natural thing; upset the customary order of events as little as possible. Jennie Brice went to the train because that was where she wanted to go. But as Ladley was to protest that his wife had left town, and as the police would be searching for a solitary woman, I went with her. We went in a leisurely manner. I bought her a magazine and a morning paper, asked the conductor to fix her window, and, in general, acted the devoted husband seeing his wife off on a trip. I even"—he smiled—"I even promised to feed the canary."

Lida took her hands away. "Did you kiss her goodby?" she demanded.

"Not even a chaste salute," he said. His spirits were rising. It was, as often happens, as if the mere confession removed the guilt. I have seen little boys who have broken a window show the same relief after telling about it.

"For a day or two Bronson and I sat back, enjoying the stir up. Things turned out as we had expected. Business boomed at the theater. I got a good story, and some few kind words from my city editor. Then—the explosion came. I got a letter from Jennie Brice saying she was going away, and that we need not try to find her. I went to Horner, but I had lost track of her completely. Even then, we did not believe things so bad as they turned out to be. We thought she was giving us a bad time, but that she would show up.

"Ladley was in a blue funk for a time. Bronson and I went to him. We told him how the thing had slipped—We didn't want to go to the police and confess if we could help it. Finally he agreed to stick it out until she was found, at $100 a week. It took all we could beg, borrow and steal. But now—we have to come out with the story anyhow."

Mr. Holcombe sat up and closed his notebook with a snap. "I'm not so sure of that," he said impressively. "I wonder if you realize, young man, that, having provided a perfect defense for this man Ladley, you provided him with every possible inducement to make away with his wife. Secure in your coming forward at the last minute and confessing the hoax to save him, was there anything he might not have dared with impunity?"

"But I tell you I took Jennie Brice out of town on Monday morning."

"Did you?" asked Holcombe sternly.

But at that, the schoolteacher, having come home and found old Isaac sound asleep in her cozy corner, set up such a screaming for the police that our meeting broke up. Nor would Mr. Holcombe explain any further.

CHAPTER XIV.

MR. HOLCOMBE was up very early the next morning. I heard him moving around at 5 o'clock, and at 6 he banged at my door and demanded to know at what time the neighborhood rose. He had been up for an hour and there were no signs of life. He was more cheerful after he had a cup of coffee, commented on Lida's beauty and said that Howell was a lucky chap.

"That is what worries me, Mr. Holcombe," I said. "I am helping the affair along and—what if it turns out badly?"

He looked at me over his glasses. "It isn't likely to turn out badly," he said. "I have never married, Mrs. Pitman, and I have missed a great deal out of life."

"Perhaps you're better off. If you had married and lost your wife"— I was thinking of Mr. Pitman.

"Not at all," he said with emphasis. "It's better to have married and lost than never to have married at all. Every man needs a good woman, and it doesn't matter how old he is. The older he is the more he needs her. I am nearly sixty."

He lighted his corncob pipe and stood puffing at it and watching me. He made me uneasy. I thought he was going to continue the subject of every man needing a wife.

But when he spoke he was back to the crime again: "Did you ever work a typewriter?" he asked.

What with the surprise, I was a little sharp. "I don't play any instrument except an egg beater," I replied shortly, and went on clearing the table.

"I wonder—do you remember about the village idiot and the horse? But of course you do, Mrs. Pitman, you are a woman of imagination. Don't you think you could be Alice Murray for a few moments? Now think—you are a stenographer with theatrical ambitions. You meet an actor and you fall in love with him and he with you."

"That's hard to imagine, that last."

"Not so hard," he said gently. "Now the actor is going to put you on the stage, perhaps in this new play, and some day he is going to marry you."

"Is that what he promised the girl?"

"According to some letters her mother found, yes. The actor is married, but he tells you he will divorce the wife. You are to wait for him, and in the meantime he wants you near him—away from the office, where other men are apt to come in with letters to be typed and to chaff you. You are a pretty girl."

"It isn't necessary to overwork my imagination," I said, with a little bitterness. I had been a pretty girl, but work and worry—

"Now you are going to New York very soon, and in the meantime you have cut yourself off from all your people. You have no one but this man. What would you do? Where would you go?"

"How old was the girl?"

"Nineteen."

"I think," I said slowly, "that if I were nineteen and in love with a man and hiding I would hide as near him as possible. I'd be likely to get a window that could see his going out and coming in—a place so near that he could come often to see me."

"Bravo!" he exclaimed. "Of course, with your present wisdom and experience, you would do nothing so foolish. But this girl was in her teens. She was not very far away, for he probably saw her that Sunday afternoon, when he was out for two hours. And as the going was slow that day and he had much to tell and explain I figure she was not far off, probably in this very neighborhood."

During the remainder of that morning I saw Mr. Holcombe at intervals going from house to house. Finally he came back, flushed and excited.

"I found the house," he said, wiping his glasses. "She was there, all right, not so close as we had thought, but as close as she could get."

"And can you trace her?" I asked.

His face changed and saddened. "Poor child!" he said. "She is dead, Mrs. Pitman!"

"Not she—at Sewickley!"

"No," he said patiently. "That was Jennie Brice."

"But—Mr. Howell"—

"Mr. Howell is a young ass," he said with irritation. "He did not take Jennie Brice out of the city that morning. He took Alice Murray in Jennie Brice's clothing, and veiled."

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